

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 7, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. MALLORY submitted the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Hodges & Lansdale, have had the same under consideration, and thereupon report:*

The petitioners claim indemnity from the United States for certain hogsheads of tobacco stored in warehouses at Magruder's and Nottingham in Prince George's county, at Hunting Creek and Lower Marlboro' in Calvert county, and at Benedict in Charles county, Maryland, which warehouses were burned by the British forces in 1814, in consequence, as is alleged, of the occupation of said warehouses by the American forces.

Your committee have carefully considered the facts involved in this and similar cases before it, arising out of the burning of the same warehouses, together with the principles of law applicable to them, (See R. No. 175, 1st sess. 35th Cong,) and they think the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted; and they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the petitioners be rejected.

